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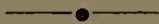
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To the Chairman and Members of the Bridgend Urban District Council

Madam Chairman and Gentlemen,

I beg to submit the Annual Report on the Health and Sanitary conditions of the Urban District of Bridgend for the year 1958. This report has been prepared on the lines laid down in Circular 22/58 of the Welsh Board of Health.

Area of the Urban District	1,218 acres.
Rateable Value, 31/3/59	£174,361
Product of a Penny Rate	£655
Registrar General's estimate of Population Mid 1958	14,580

Census Population figures:—

Census 1911	8,021	
Census 1921	9,206	
Census 1931	10,029	Males 4,859 Females 5,170
Census 1951	13,646	Males 6,526 Females 7,120

Censual Increase 1931—1951 ... 3,617

Censual Increase percentage of
1931 population 36.1

Number of inhabited houses,
1921 1,658

Number of inhabited
dwellings 31/3/59 4,656

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births	258	...	134	...	124
Legitimate	250	...	129	...	121
Illegitimate	8	...	5	...	3
Still Births	7	...	5	...	2
Legitimate	6	...	5	...	1
Illegitimate	1	...	—	...	1
Deaths—Under 1 year of age	6	...	4	...	2
Legitimate	6	...	4	...	2
Illegitimate	—	...	—	...	—
Deaths—Under 4 weeks of age	5	...	3	...	2
Legitimate	5	...	3	...	2
Illegitimate	—	...	—	...	—

Death Rate of Infants under 1 year of age:—

All infants per 1,000 live births	23.26
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Death Rate of Infants under 4 weeks of age:—

All infants per 1,000 live births	19.38
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	37
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	—
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) ...	—
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age)	—

GENERAL HEALTH AND WELFARE SERVICES

1.—Services provided by the Glamorgan County Council:—

- (a) At the Divisional Health Office, Quarella Road, Bridgend, (Tel. No. Bridgend 700), the following services are provided:—

Maternity and Child Welfare, Home Nursing, Home Help, School Medical and Health Visiting. These services are administered by the Divisional Medical Officer.

- (b) **Mental Health Service:—**

The duties of the duly authorised officer in your area are carried out by Mr. D. Mahoney, 28, Tan-y-rallt Avenue, Bridgend. (Tel. Bridgend 271).

- (c) **Ambulance Service:—**

The Ambulance Station for your area is situated at Oak Street, Aberkenfig (Tel. No. Aberkenfig 303).

- (d) **Welfare Service:—**

The local office for this service is at the Divisional Health Office, Quarella Road, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 1456). Officers of the Welfare Department are available to offer assistance and advice to those in need of hostel accommodation, the blind and the handicapped. In the Mid-Glamorgan area, there are three County Council Homes for aged persons. These are Craig-y-Parcau, Bridgend (31 men and women); Moorlands, Porthcawl (26 men and women) and Danygraig, Porthcawl (33 men and women).

- (e) **Children's Department:—**

The office of the Children's Department of the County Council is at the County Hall, Cardiff. There is, however, a sub-office at 25, Wyndham Street, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 930).

2.—Hospital Services:—

Hospital facilities for your area are administered by the Mid-Glamorgan Hospital Management Committee. The office of this Committee is at 8, Wind Street, Neath (Tel. No. Neath 2251/3). The following is a list of the hospitals and clinics used by the residents of your area:—

- i. Bridgend General Hospital, Quarella Road, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 1016/8) 381 beds
- ii. Bridgend and District Cottage Hospital, Merthyr-mawr Road, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 17) 36 beds
- iii. Cefn Hirgoed Isolation Hospital, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 1178) ... 78 beds
24 for Infectious Diseases, 54 for Tuberculosis.
- iv. Heddfan, Cefn Hirgoed Small Pox Hospitals, Bridgend (Tel. No. Aberkenfig 240).
..... 18 beds for Aged Persons.
- v. Maesgwyn, Bryncethin (Tel. No. Aberkenfig 371). 61 beds for Aged Persons.
- vi. Bridgend Chest Clinic, Old Cottage Hospital, Bridgend. (Tel. No. Bridgend 345).
- vii. V.D. Clinic, Oakwood Street, Port Talbot.

3.—Services provided by Government Departments:—

The Local Offices of the Ministry of National Insurance, the National Assistance Board and the Ministry of Labour and National Service are housed at Angel Street, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 1440/5).

Cases in receipt of benefit referred by the Ministry of National Insurance to the Welsh Board of Health and claimants of disablement benefit under the National Industrial Injury Act, are examined at Garth-Celyn, Merthyr-mawr Road, Bridgend (Tel. No. Bridgend 1658).

4.—General Practitioner Services:—

This service is provided by the Glamorgan Executive Council, 47, Park Place, Cardiff. (Tel.: Cardiff 26216).

At the request of the local general Practitioners, a ground floor flat was adapted as surgery premises for their use on the West House Housing Site. This has been of great benefit to the tenants on the site, as surgery facilities are now within easy access.

An adjoining flat was similarly adapted for the use of clinic premises by the Local Health Authority.

5.—Laboratory Facilities.

All bacteriological and chemical analysis relating to water, milk and ice cream are carried out for your area by the Glamorgan County Public Health Laboratory, The Parade, Cardiff.

6.—Care of the Aged.

In 1957 the Old People's Hall at Angel Street, Bridgend, was completed at a cost of approximately £8,000.

On completion, this hall was handed over to the Bridgend Old People's Welfare Committee, who will be responsible for bearing the day to day running costs, the Council being responsible for the loan charges on the building and for the payment of an honorarian to the secretary.

To assist the Council to erect this building a grant of £1,500 was received from the Council of Social Service for South Wales and Monmouth and a contribution of £200 from the O.A.P. Welfare Committee.

As in previous years the Council continued to provide at their Civic Restaurant, lunches for old age pensioners at a reduced cost. This facility is of particular benefit to aged persons living on their own, who are thus able to have at least one good meal a day.

Since 1948, a great deal has been done to assist the aged. They are entitled to a free Medical Service, the County and County Borough Councils have provided hostels and the aged are the greatest users of the Home Help Service and the Home Nursing Service. Housing authorities have also provided bungalows or flats suitable for their needs. The National Assistance Board is available for extra assistance to supplement their pensions and the Women's Voluntary Service have given valuable assistance in providing facilities such as "the meals on Wheels service."

In spite of all this, however, and owing to the increase in the number of aged persons in the community, their care continues to be an important facet of the Health Service.

During this century, local authorities have always accepted the responsibility and provided a solution whenever there was a health problem in the community. In the past, owing to lack of Maternity care and Infant care, it became necessary to establish ante-natal clinics and Infant Welfare Clinics. Today, one hears murmurs of disappointment that these clinics are poorly attended due no doubt to an increased interest by other sections of the Health Service in this field. Perhaps the time has arrived when consideration should be given to the using of these established clinic buildings as clinics for the very time consuming work of helping the aged and channelling their difficulties to the quarters where help is available.

7.—National Assistance Act, 1948.

(a) Section 50 — Burial of the Dead.

During the year the cost of burying one person was accepted by your Council. The total amount expended under this section of the Act was £19 15s. 6d.

(b) Removal to Suitable Premises of Persons in need of Care and Attention.

It became necessary to compulsorily remove one person under Section 47 of the National Assistance Act. This person was transferred to The Graig, Pontypridd. Four other persons were found to be in need of Medical care and attention and were persuaded to enter hospital or hostels.

TUBERCULOSIS

Facilities for the diagnosis and home and clinic treatment of Tuberculosis are obtained through Dr. Hugh Trail, Chest Physician, Old Cottage Hospital, Bridgend. (Tel. No. Bridgend 345). In this work, Dr. Trail is assisted by an assistant Chest Physician. The Chest Physicians are also responsible for the medical treatment of the cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis at the Cefn Hirgoed Isolation Hospital.

As indicated in previous reports, the incidence of pulmonary tuberculosis continues to be stationary, except that the cases are now occurring in a higher age group.

The chronic cough in aged persons requires to be carefully investigated as frequently these persons are reservoirs of tuberculosis infection and it is through them that the disease is spread.

(a) New Cases and Mortality during 1958.

Particulars of new cases of Tuberculosis and of deaths from the disease in the area during 1958.

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Under 5								
5—14								
15—24		2						
25—44	3	1	1					
45—64	1							
65 and over ...		1			3			
Totals	4	4	1		3			

(b) Cases transferred to Register from other Areas during 1958

M.	Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary				Pulmonary and
	F.	Total		M.	F.	Total		Non-Pulmonary Total
8	3	11	...	—	—	—	...	11

(c) Number of Cases on Tuberculosis Register at commencement of the year.

M.	Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary				Pulmonary and
	F.	Total		M.	F.	Total		Non-Pulmonary Total
80	12	92	...	68	19	87	...	179

(d) Number of Cases on Tuberculosis Register at end of year.

M.	Pulmonary			Non-Pulmonary				Pulmonary and
	F.	Total		M.	F.	Total		Non-Pulmonary Total
87	13	100	...	65	19	84	...	184

Notification of Tuberculosis during 1958 and the previous Twenty Years.

Year	CASES			
	Pulmonary M.	Pulmonary F.	Non-Pulmonary M.	Non-Pulmonary F.
1938	9	6	7	4
1939	3	8	5	5
1940	8	11	5	6
1941	13	9	1	3
1942	8	7	2	8
1943	10	4	9	6
1944	7	12	4	8
1945	7	6	7	8
1946	11	11	7	4
1947	2	6	7	7
1948	10	9	8	2
1949	7	12	9	4
1950	13	5	2	4
1951	8	7	4	—
1952	14	10	1	4
1953	10	3	—	1
1954	13	13	2	1
1955	6	12	2	1
1956	9	6	1	2
1957	2	6	—	1
1958	4	4	1	—

Deaths from Tuberculosis during 1958 and previous twenty years.

Year	DEATHS			
	Pulmonary M.	Pulmonary F.	Non-Pulmonary M.	Non-Pulmonary F.
1938	8	2	1	—
1939	1	7	—	1
1940	5	4	—	1
1941	4	—	—	—
1942	4	6	2	1
1943	3	5	—	—
1944	2	3	—	—
1945	3	4	1	1
1946	5	2	—	—
1947	5	—	—	—
1948	3	3	—	—
1949	3	5	—	1
1950	4	1	—	—
1951	—	—	—	—
1952	1	1	—	1
1955	—	1	—	—
1956	1	1	1	—
1957	1	—	—	—
1958	4	—	—	—

SANITARY CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

1.—Water Supply.

The whole of the water supply in the town is supplied direct to the consumer by the Mid-Glamorgan Water Board. Your Council is not a constituent member of the Board and has no representation on that body.

The supply is obtained from two sources (a) an underground stream at Schwyll and (b) the gathering ground at Dimbath.

(a) **Schwyll.** This supply is plentiful, and there is no danger of shortage. The only objection to this supply is its hardness. The water is treated by chlorination.

(b) **Dimbath.** This water comes from the upland gathering ground near Blackmill, in the Ogmores and Garw District. This water is filtered, and has the advantage of being a soft water. Nearly 400,000 gallons of water pass through these filters daily.

No. of houses without a piped water supply—Nil.

During the year under review there have been no new sources of supply.

2.—Drainage and Sewerage.

The Town is satisfactorily sewered, but owing to the recent building schemes in your area, and certain parts of the Penybont Rural District, your sewers are now almost at maximum capacity. The sewage from the Town enters the main sewer of the Penybont Main Sewerage Board, which finally discharges into the sea at Ogmores-by-Sea. Your Council is a member of this Board.

For several years, the renewal of this main sewer has been necessary but owing to a High Court Injunction against the Board, prohibiting the discharge of sewage in any form into the River Ogmores, they have been unable to proceed with a scheme. The Penybont Main Sewerage Board were, therefore, forced to promote a Bill in Parliament for enlarging their powers in regard to the discharge of sewage and effluent. They were successful in this action so it is to be hoped that the Board will now be in a position to proceed with this main scheme which will cost in the region of £450,000 to £500,000. The new works will prevent the serious pollution of the beach at Ogmores-by-Sea.

3.—Closet Accommodation.

At the end of the year 1958 the number of closets was as follows:—

Water Closets to Sewer (approx.)	7,265
Water Closets to Cesspools	10
Pail Closets	2
Septic Tank System	1

4.—Public Cleansing.

This work is carried out by the Council's own staff under the direction of the Surveyor.

Refuse and street sweepings are collected daily in the town area, and twice weekly in the remainder of the district.

The refuse, is disposed by controlled tipplings in a dis-used quarry on the eastern side of the town.

The tip is carefully controlled and sealed every night.

This work is carried out to the entire satisfaction of the Department.

5.—Cesspools.

The Cleansing of the cesspools is carried out, free of charge, by the Council's staff at the request of the tenants.

6.—Public Conveniences.

The Council continues to be very concerned over the lack of adequate public conveniences in the vicinity of the 'bus station.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

1.—Shops.

356 visits were paid by your Inspectors to various shops in the area and improvements were carried out in 10 instances.

2.—Atmospheric Pollution.

Atmospheric pollution is not an acute problem in your area and no action was necessary. The only area liable to dust nuisance is in the vicinity of the railway station and the complete removal of this nuisance is unlikely to occur until steam engines have been re-placed by diesel engines.

3.—Swimming Baths and Pools.

A public Open-air Swimming Bath was opened in May, 1938. The cost was £6,600. The capacity of the bath is 186,000 gallons. A filtration plant is installed, and has a six hour turn over. The water is first filtered, then chlorinated, then aerated, and returned to the bath.

The swimming Bath was regularly inspected and 16 samples of water were taken for examination. On all occasions the samples of water were found to be satisfactory.

There are no private swimming baths in the district.

4.—Disinfestation.

2 complaints of the presence of bed bugs were received and 10 minor infestations by cockroaches and ants were reported.

5.—Removal and Destruction of Bedding.

During the year four requests were received to remove and destroy articles of bedding after deaths from Tuberculosis or Cancer.

This service was much appreciated by the several owners owing to the nuisance caused by the burning of such articles on their own premises in an Urban area.

6.—Rodent Control.

This is the last year for the cost of this service to be subject to a 50 per cent grant from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries. In future all the cost will be borne by the Council.

A full-time rodent operator is employed by the Council for the destruction of rats throughout the district. All the complaints from private and business premises were attended to, the treatment being carried out free of charge in private premises but the cost of treatment at business and commercial premises was recovered.

The number of inspections made during the year was as follows:—

Dwelling houses	.....	444
Council Premises	.....	24
Agricultural premises	.....	5
Business premises	.....	102

The number of surface treatments carried out during the year was—169.

Dwelling houses	.....	148
Council Premises	.....	4
Business premises	.....	17

As directed by the Divisional Office of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, during the year, two maintenance treatments in sewers were carried out in your District.

In connection with the Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949, Mr. Manley, the Senior Public Health Inspector, reports that all the infestations of rats and mice were of a minor nature.

6. In accordance with Article 27 (Section 18) of the Sanitary Officers' Order (Outside London) Regulations, the following is the Public Health Inspector's tabulated statement :—

	No. of Inspections	Informal Notices	Work done	Work not done	Work in Progress	Statutory Notices	Work done	Work not done	Progress	Houses found unfit for human habitation	Demolition Orders Made
Public Health Acts	375	81	71	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2
Housing Acts :—											
1 Recorded Houses ..	210	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 Other Houses	265	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
3 New Houses	120	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4 Overcrowding	465	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Dairies, Milkshops	26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Slaughter Houses, Butchers' Shops, etc.	1430	5	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Factories, etc.	76	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Schools	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cinemas	16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shops	310	10	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Food and Drugs	156	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rats and Mice	600	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Infectious Diseases :—											
1 Investigations	11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2 Fumigations	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drains Tested	92	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Refuse Accumulations	18	8	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Milk Supplies	24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Water Supplies	26	20	20	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Drainage	256	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Closet & Cesspool Conversions	14	12	12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	4592	145	135	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2

FACTORIES.

The factories in the district have been systematically inspected and the details as required by the Factory Act, 1937 and 1948 are set out in the table below.

1.—Inspections for purposes of provisions as to Health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors).

Premises	No. or Regis- ter	Inspec- tions	Number of—	
			Writ- ten Noti- ces	Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	9	14	2	Nil
Factories not included above in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authorities	44	52	5	Nil
Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (ex- cluding outworkers premises)	8	10	Nil	Nil
Total	61	76	7	Nil

2.—Cases in which Defects were found—

Number of cases in which defects were found					
Particulars	Found	Reme- died	Referred—		No. of cases in which prosecu- tions were instituted
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspec- tor	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	4	4	—	—	—
—Overcrowding (S.2)	—	—	—	—	—
Unreasonable Tempera- ture (S.3)	—	—	—	—	—
Inadequate Ventilation	—	—	—	—	—
Ineffective drainage of Floors (S.6)	—	—	—	—	—
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7):—					
(a) Insufficient	1	1	—	1	—
(b) Unsuitable or defec- tive	2	2	—	—	—
(c) Not separate for					
Other offences against the Act not including offences relating to Out-work	2	2	—	2	—
Total ...	9	9	—	3	—

3.—Outwork. No outworker was notified as residing in this district.

HOUSING

The following are the particulars relating to Housing in your area:—

By Local Authority—

	Perm.	Temp.
(a) Number of houses completed and occupied during the year 1958	53	
(b) Number partly completed during the year 1958	57	
(c) Sanctioned, but not commenced	—	
(d) Total number of houses completed and occupied since 1918	1311	124

By Private Enterprise, Building Societies, etc.—

(a) Number of houses completed and occupied during the year 1958	39
(b) Number partly completed during the year 1958	24
(c) Number for which plans were passed but not commenced during the year 1958	4

Clearance Areas and Individual Unfit Houses.

(a) Clearance Areas	Nil
(b) Houses closed or demolished—	
(1) Demolished	2
(2) Closing Orders	1
(3) Closing Orders (Part Buildings)	—
No. of families displaced	4
No. of persons displaced	6
(c) Housing Repairs—	
No. rendered fit by:	
1. Informal action	46
2. Formal action:—	
By Owners	—

Rent Act, 1957

This Act came into operation on the 6th July, 1957 and follows upon the Rent and Repairs Act of 1954. The Act has two purposes in that it frees from rent control houses (including flats) above certain levels of rateable value and secondly allows limited increases in rents of houses still under control. Opportunity is given tenants upon whom increases of rent have been imposed, of obtaining general repairs sometimes outside the purview of the Public Health Acts.

13 applications for Certificates of Disrepair were made, 7 of which were granted and of the remaining 6 cases "Undertakings" to carry out the repairs specified were received from the owners.

Housing and Sanitary Improvements carried out during the year.

Water Supplies:—

Services renewed	5
Storage cisterns renewed	16

External Repairs:—

Chimney Stacks repaired	9
Roofs re-slatted or repaired	14
Walls cemented or rough-casted	9
Downpipes and roof gutters renewed or repaired ...	26
Paved areas repaired	10

Internal Repairs:—

Ceilings renewed or repaired	21
Floors renewed or repaired	15
Grates and ovens renewed or repaired	12
Defective plaster to walls made good	43
Doors and frames repaired	9
Windows and frames renewed or repaired	21
Sash cord provided to windows	19
Hot water systems repaired or renewed	3

Sanitary Improvements:—

Defective drains repaired	23
New inspection chambers constructed or bricked up	16
New inspection chamber covers	21
Choked drains cleared	494
Defective w.c. pans replaced by pedestals	13
New flushing systems installed or repaired	17
Vent shafts renewed or repaired	7
New scullery sinks and baths provided	—
W.C. seats repaired or renewed	17
Sink or bath waste pipes renewed or repaired	14
New water closets constructed	21

Common Lodging Houses.

Number registered	1
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Moveable Dwellings.

No applications for licences under the Public Health Act, 1936, for the erection and use of moveable dwellings—trailer caravan were received.

Allocation of Council Houses.

As in the previous year your Public Health Inspectors again undertook the onerous task of interviewing, checking and pointing the applications for Council accommodation and investigating requests for transfers.

The correlating of facts and the presenting of reports to the Housing Committee required a great deal of time and patience, and this duty has become one of the major functions of the Health Department.

The satisfactory building programme of the Council during the past years has resulted in the easing of the housing problem in the area.

One of the main complaints with many of the applicants is that the premises they occupy lack modern amenities. It is therefore felt, that it is much wiser for the older type of private house to be occupied by an owner occupier who will provide these amenities with the assistance of Grants.

All medical certificates submitted were examined by me but few only were considered to indicate a severe medical condition which warranted my requesting the Housing Committee to grant urgent medical priority.

I should like to take the opportunity of thanking the Housing Committee for their co-operation in connection with the medical cases submitted.

The following are the particulars of the housing position as at the end of the year:—

1.—No. of applicants granted housing accommodation during 1958:—

(a) Normal points list	49
(b) Keyworkers' List	1
Total	50

2.—At the end of the year the number of housing applicants on the register were:—

(a) No. of applicants residing within the Urban Area	446
(b) No. of applicants for Aged Persons Bungalows	58
(c) No. of applicants residing outside but working in the Urban Area	204
(d) No. of applicants both residing and working outside the Urban Area	178
Total	886

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

The year under review passed without any serious outbreak of notifiable diseases. Today most of these diseases cause little anxiety. This is due to our greater knowledge of the condition and to the availability of antibiotics. When one examines the general problem of the notification of infectious diseases, one appreciates that there is not a 100 per cent notification but, however, one is entirely satisfied that the notification of the "Killing" diseases such as the Enteric Dysentery group, Poliomyelitis, Diphtheria, Meningococcal infection and Tuberculosis is quite complete.

In one's approach to this matter it must be remembered that the whole basic principle of notifying a disease is to enable one to take action against its spread.

Twenty-seven cases of food poisoning were notified during the year. These occurred during the month of October and the organism responsible was *Salmonella typhi-murium*.

The food responsible for this outbreak was not identified with certainty although pork and pork sausages were under suspicion.

It is worth noting that the cases occurred during a period when it was known that pigs were frequently infected with *Salmonella typhi-murium*.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1.—Milk Supply.

The standard of milk supplied continues to be high. In recent years great progress has been made in the control of the risk of conveying Tuberculosis to humans through milk. On the suggestion of the Welsh Board of Health the routine biological examination of milk was discontinued. This action was made possible due to your district being within a specified area, the increased number of dairy herds attested and the more widespread distribution of pasteurised milk.

There are 16 distributors and dairy premises registered in your area, and the various licences granted by your Authority are classified as follows:—

T.T. and T.T. Pasteurised (Dealer's Licence)	7
Pasteurised Milk Dealer's Licence	6
Sterilised Milk (Dealer's Licence)	Nil
T.T. and T.T. Pasteurised (Supplementary Dealer's Licence)	9
Pasteurised Milk (Supplementary Dealer's Licence)	7
Sterilised Milk (Supplementary Dealer's Licence) ...	3

2.—Ice Cream.

The Ice Cream (Heat Treatment) Regulations which came into force on the 1st May, 1947, prescribe the methods by which ice-cream shall be manufactured. Three premises in the town are registered for the manufacture, storage and sale of ice-cream, and thirty-two for the sale and storage of ice-cream.

3.—Food Hygiene Regulations, 1955.

Your inspectors regularly visited food shops in the area to insure that the handling and distribution of food was carried out hygienically and that premises and equipment conformed with the requirements of the Food Hygiene Regulations.

4.—Meat and Other Foods.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES

Your Council owns the only slaughterhouse within the district. This slaughterhouse caters not only for the Bridgend district but also for the greater part of the Penybont and Porthcawl districts.

As in previous years a 100 per cent meat inspection service was provided. Mr. Jenkins, your Public Health Inspector, carries out the major portion of this inspection and he reports that in recent years and especially during the year under review, the amount of meat condemned due to tuberculosis has rapidly fallen. This he attributes to your area being within an attested area and also to the excellent progress that has been made in the Eradication Plan of the Ministry.

The following are the numbers of animals slaughtered since the year 1934 :

		<i>Cattle</i>		<i>Pigs</i>		<i>Sheep</i>		<i>Calves</i>
1934	.....	588	...	2,139	...	6,227	...	560
1935	.....	606	...	2,195	...	4,766	...	273
1936	.....	995	...	2,561	...	6,413	...	334
1937	.....	1,079	...	2,546	...	6,883	...	399
1938	.....	1,067	...	2,822	...	7,802	...	370
1939	.....	1,217	...	2,595	...	8,994	...	443
1940	.....	1,849	...	2,189	...	17,873	...	1,257
1941	.....	1,216	...	568	...	15,152	...	1,104
1942	.....	1,215	...	231	...	11,445	...	1,873
1943	.....	1,468	...	191	...	11,538	...	2,853
1944	.....	1,973	...	141	...	12,381	...	2,451
1945	.....	1,667	...	307	...	8,872	...	2,422
1946	.....	1,708	...	89	...	7,365	...	2,534
1947	.....	1,646	...	36	...	6,388	...	1,484
1948	.....	1,266	...	103	...	7,469	...	1,293
1949	.....	1,365	...	168	...	8,546	...	1,215
1950	.....	1,788	...	291	...	8,561	...	2,000
1951	.....	1,866	...	617	...	8,316	...	1,650
1952	.....	1,587	...	1,127	...	9,001	...	1,792
1953	.....	1,632	...	1,846	...	11,466	...	1,386
1954	.....	1,661	...	3,780	...	11,646	...	1,056
1955	.....	2,256	...	5,015	...	11,714	...	734
1956	.....	3,035	...	4,227	...	14,824	...	788
1957	.....	3,484	...	4,443	...	16,632	...	793
1958	.....	3,229	...	4,814	...	14,382	...	604

Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned in whole or in part.

		<i>Cattle excluding Cows</i>			<i>Sheep and Calves</i>			<i>Lambs</i>		<i>Pigs</i>	<i>Horses</i>	
Number Killed	3,075	...	154	...	604	...	14,382	...	4,814	...	Nil
Number Inspected	3,075	...	154	...	604	...	14,382	...	4,814	...	Nil
<i>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</i>												
Whole carcases con- demned	3	...	1	...	3	...	18	...	2	...	—
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	542	...	64	...	4	...	1,107	...	1,226	...	—
Percentage of the num- ber inspected affec- ted with disease other than Tubercu- losis and Cysticerci	...	17.7	...	42.2	...	1.2	...	7.8	...	25.5	...	—
<i>Tuberculosis only.</i>												
Whole carcases con- demned	5	...	2	...	2	...	Nil	...	3	...	Nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	112	...	17	...	1	...	Nil	...	294	...	Nil
Percentage of the num- ber inspected affec- ted with Tuberculosis	...	3.8	...	12.3	...	.43	...	Nil	...	6.1	...	Nil
<i>Cysticercosis.</i>												
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	13	...	2	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil
Carcases submitted to treatment by re- frigeration	13	...	2	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil	...	Nil
Generalised and totally condemned	—	...	—	...	—	...	—	...	—	...	—

The conditions occurring which resulted in the total condemnation of the carcasses reported above were as follows:—

7 Sheep Carcasses and Offal	General Oedema and Emaciation
1 Sheep Carcase and Offal	Acute Anaemia and Fever
1 Sheep Carcase and Offal	Putrefaction
2 Sheep Carcasses and Offal	Extensive Bruising and Fever
1 Sheep Carcase and Offal	Acute Anaemia
1 Sheep Carcase and Offal	Moribund Condition
1 Sheep Carcase and Offal	Septic Metritis
1 Sheep Carcase and Offal	Septicaemia
3 Sheep Carcasses and Offal	Multiple Injuries and Fever
1 Pig Carcase and Offal	Acute Enteritis and Fever
1 Pig Carcase and Offal	Tuberculosis and Emaciation
1 Pig Carcase and Offal	Generalised Tuberculosis
1 Pig Carcase and Offal	Multiple Abscesses
2 Bovine Carcasses and Offal	Generalised Tuberculosis (cows)
1 Bovine Carcase and Offal	Gangrene (heifers)
1 Bovine Carcase and Offal	Extensive Bruising and Fever (heifers)
2 Bovine Carcasses and Offal	Generalised Tuberculosis (oxen)
3 Bovine Carcasses and Offal	Generalised Tuberculosis (heifers)
1 Bovine Carcase and Offal	Extensive Bruising and Injury
1 Bovine Carcase and Offal	Septic Peritonitis and Fever (cow)
1 Calf Carcase and Offal	Gangrene and Emaciation
2 Calf Carcasses and Offal	Tuberculosis
1 Calf Carcase and Offal	Moribund Condition
1 Calf Carcase and Offal	Septic Pneumonia and Fever

Total weight of meat condemned during the year was:
13 tons, 18 cwts., 0 qtrs., 3 lbs.

All the condemned meat was collected and removed to a well-equipped Knacker's Yard at Hendre, Pencoed, near Bridgend, where it was suitably treated or destroyed.

Applications were received from 27 persons for the renewal of their slaughtermens' licences under the Slaughter of Animals Act.

No new applications were received.

There are no private slaughterhouses in your area.

5.—Adulteration.

This work is undertaken by the County Public Health Inspectors, and the following is their report in connection with the administration of the Food and Drugs Act in your area.

SAMPLES SENT FOR EXAMINATION

Apples	2	Milk	21
Aspirins	2	Mincedmeat	2
Baking Powder	5	Mustard	3
Bicarbonate of Soda	1	Orange and Lemon Curd	4
Cake Sponge Mix, etc.	27	Parsley and Sage (dried) ...	3
Cereals	1	Peas (dried)	1
Cheese Spread	2	Pepper	1
Chocolate Spread	1	Pudding (canned)	1
Coffee and Chicory	10	Rice	5
Colouring	2	Salad Cream	3
Condensed Milk	1	Sauces	3
Corn Flour	2	Semolina	1
Cream	4	Shredded Beef Suet	5
Desiccated Cocoanut	2	Soft Drinks	9
Dessert Powder	5	Soup (canned)	6
Fish (canned)	6	Spaghetti (canned)	1
Fish Paste	3	Spices	3
Flour	7	Sugar	2
Fruit (canned)	5	Syrup	1
Fruit (dried)	3	Table Jelly	3
Gelatine	1	Tabioca	1
Glace Cherries	3	Tea	2
Glucose	1	Treacle	1
Gravy Browning	1	Vegetables (canned)	4
Ice-Cream	2	Vinegar	6
Jam	6	Vitamin Tabs, etc.	5
Lard	2	Curry Powder	2
Lentils	1	Groundnut Oil	1
Macaroni	1	Peanut Butter	2
Margarine	3	Salt	2
Marmalade	2		
Meat Paste	7		
Meat Products (canned) ...	9		
			250

6.—Unsound Food.

The following list of articles were found to be unfit for human consumption and were voluntarily surrendered and destroyed:—

Ham 46, Peaches 262, Mandarin Oranges 110, Apricots 91, Ox Tongue 25, Salmon 99, Italian Tomatoes 474, Pears 187, Corned Beef 103, Evaporated Milk 130, Stewed Steak 31, Salami 13lbs., Broad Beans 7, Baked Beans 17, Soup 42, Sheep Tongues 5, Meat Loaf 39, Peas 88, Pineapples 203, Pilchards 13, Carrots 6, Crab 32, Strawberries 25, Spam 15, Fruit Salad 49, Ham and Chicken Paste 3, Danish Pork 2, Rice Pudding 3, Damsons 5, Herrings 14, Pig Tongue 11, Grapes 18, Plums 32 Pkts., Dessicated Cocoanut 1 pkt., New Zealand Cheese 25 lbs., Cream 9, Cherries 12, Pork Luncheon Meat 56, Nestles Full Cream 3, Tuna Fish 7, Raspberries 7, Grapefruit 20, French Farmhouse Cheese 41 lbs., Condensed Milk 9, Green Peas 4 ½ kts., Orange Juice 5

Beef Steak and Gravy 20, Cooked Ham 16 lbs., Ham-
burger Patties 2, Home-killed Chickens 43¾ lbs., Calves
Tongue 5 tins, Danish Butter 162 lbs., Lobster 4, Jellied
Veal 3, Broken Biscuits 10 lbs., Bacon 58 lbs., Kippers 9
stone, Bilberries 2, Rhubarb 2, Beetroot 1, Drinking Choco-
late 1, Crumpets 3 boxes, Shrimps 3.

The Department greatly appreciate the vigilance shown
by shop keepers in the examination of the food products
in their possession, and the willingness in which they seek
advice from the Health Department.

7.—Food Premises, etc.

Number of premises registered for preserved foods, including 3 fried fish shops	13
Number of premises registered for Ice-Cream ...	37
Number of Bakehouses	5
Number of Licensed Premises and Registered Club	25

8.—Pet Animals Act, 1951.

Number of Pet Shops licensed under this Act—1

CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES
Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during the
year 1958.

DISEASE	Under			5	10	15	20	35	45	65 & over	Total Cases
	1 yr.	1-2	3-4	to 9	to 14	to 19	to 34	to 44	to 64		
Scarlet Fever ...		1	2	6	2						11
Whooping Cough ...											
Food Poisoning ...	1	1		17	4	1	2			1	27
Puerperal Pyrexia..						3	9				12
Measles ...		1	4	19	3						27
Post Infections Encephalitis ...							1				1
Acute Pneumonia ...				1			1	2	2		6
Poliomyelitis (Paralytic) ...											
Poliomyelitis (Non-Paralytic) ..											

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES for each Month in 1958

	Jan.		Feb.		Mar.		April		May		June		July		Aug.		Sept.		Oct.		Nov.		Dec.		Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Scarlet Fever	1				1			1				1	1						1	3		1	1		11
Whooping Cough																									
Measles	1	3	3	2	1	1			6	5	1	2	1			1									27
Puerperal Pyrexia	1						1			2							4			4					12
Post Infectious Encephalitis														1											1
Food Poisoning																									27
Put. Tuberculosis	1		1							1						2	1			17	10				8
Other Tuberculosis Diseases																									1
Poliomyelitis (Paralytic) ...																									
.. (Non-Paralytic) ...																									
Acute Pneumonia			2	1																					5

Infantile Mortality During the Year 1958

Cause of Death	DAYS											Total 11- deaths 12 under 10- mts. 1 yr.
	0-	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	6-	7-	14-	28 days	28 to 2 mths.	
Encephalitis											1	1
Immaturity	1	1								2		2
Haemolytic Disease									1	1		1
Duodenal Obstruction									1	1		1
Atelectasis	1									1		1

Nett Births registered in the calendar year—258.

Nett Deaths under 1 year registered in the calendar—6.

Legitimate, 250. Illegitimate, 8

Legitimate, 6 (Males, 4, Females, 2).

Illegitimate, 0.

Infant Mortality Rate—23.26.

Neo-Natal Mortality Rate, 19.38.

Causes of Death in Bridgend Urban District, 1958.

Population—14,580

Causes of Death

	M.	F.
All Causes	99	71
1 Tuberculosis, respiratory	3	—
2 Tuberculosis, other	—	—
3 Syphilitic Disease	—	1
4 Diphtheria	—	—
5 Whooping Cough	—	—
6 Meningococcal Infections	—	—
7 Acute Poliomyelitis	—	—
8 Measles	—	—
9 Other infective and parastic diseases	—	—
10 Malignant Neoplasm, stomach	3	5
11 Malignant neoplasm, lung bronchus	8	—
12 Malignant neoplasm, breast	—	4
13 Malignant neoplasm, uterus	—	1
14 Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasm ...	8	3
15 Leukaemia, aleukaemia	—	—
16 Diabetes	1	—
17 Vascular lesions of nervous system	6	11
18 Coronary disease, angina	21	12
19 Hypertension with heart disease	2	—
20 Other Heart Disease	14	11
21 Other circulatory disease	7	2
22 Influenza	—	—
23 Pneumonia	2	3
24 Bronchitis	7	2
25 Other disease of respiratory system	1	—
26 Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	—	—
27 Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	—	—
28 Nephritis and nephrosis	1	—
29 Hyperplasia of prostate	3	—
30 Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion	—	—
31 Congenital malformations	—	—
32 Other defined and ill-defined diseases	4	8
33 Motor vehicle accidents	5	—
34 All other accidents	3	3
35 Suicide	—	—
36 Homicide and operations of war	—	—

GLAMORGAN (ADMINISTRATIVE COUNTY)—VITAL STATISTICS, 1958.

	Estimated Population 1958	Number of Births	BIRTHS Rate per 1,000 Population		Number of Deaths	DEATHS Rate per 1,000 Population		INFANT MORTALITY Deaths under 1 Year		NEO-NATAL MORTALITY Rate per 1,000 Live Births	
			Crude	Adjusted		Crude	Adjusted			Deaths under 4 Weeks	Rate per 1,000 Live Births
England and Wales	738,323	...	16.4	...	526,792	...	11.7	...	16,620	...	22.50
Administrative County ...	743,100	...	12.243	...	8,829	...	11.88	...	353	...	28.83
Urban Districts	535,600	...	8,841	...	6,366	...	11.89	...	265	...	29.97
Rural Districts	207,500	...	3,402	...	2,463	...	11.87	...	88	...	25.87
HEALTH DIVISION.											
CONSTITUENT DISTRICTS.											
Aberdare and Mountain Ash—											
Aberdare Urban	39,860	...	564	...	591	...	14.83	...	16	...	28.37
Mountain Ash Urban	30,540	...	505	...	345	...	11.30	...	24	...	47.52
Caerphilly and Gelligaer—											
Caerphilly Urban	37,570	...	701	...	380	...	10.11	...	16	...	22.82
Gelligaer Urban	36,300	...	647	...	384	...	10.58	...	18	...	27.82
Mid-Glamorgan—											
Bridgend Urban	14,580	...	258	...	170	...	11.66	...	6	...	23.26
Maesteg Urban	22,720	...	386	...	243	...	10.70	...	12	...	31.09
Ogmore and Garw Urban ...	22,070	...	385	...	252	...	11.42	...	11	...	28.57
Porthcawl Urban	10,500	...	155	...	160	...	15.24	...	2	...	12.90
Penybont Rural	36,500	...	635	...	515	...	14.11	...	21	...	33.07
Neath and District—											
Neath M.B.	31,050	...	491	...	390	...	12.56	...	17	...	34.62
Neath Rural	41,440	...	631	...	450	...	10.86	...	14	...	22.19
Pontypridd and Llantrisant—											
Llantrisant Rural	25,930	...	483	...	282	...	10.88	...	15	...	31.06
Pontypridd Urban	37,550	...	579	...	472	...	12.57	...	14	...	24.18
Port Talbot and Glyncorrwg—											
Glyncorrwg Urban	9,900	...	205	...	104	...	10.51	...	7	...	34.15
Port Talbot M.B.	48,380	...	1,002	...	527	...	10.89	...	38	...	37.92
South East Glamorgan—											
Barry M.B.	42,160	...	745	...	440	...	10.44	...	21	...	28.19
Cardiff Rural	40,830	...	678	...	472	...	11.56	...	16	...	23.6
Cowbridge M.B.	1,000	...	11	...	14	...	14.00	...	—	...	—
Cowbridge Rural	19,050	...	358	...	133	...	6.98	...	10	...	27.93
Penarth Urban	19,280	...	307	...	247	...	12.81	...	7	...	22.80
West Glamorgan—											
Gower Rural	12,000	...	191	...	160	...	13.33	...	4	...	20.94
Llwchwr Urban	25,740	...	319	...	290	...	11.27	...	8	...	25.08
Pontardawe Rural	31,750	...	426	...	451	...	14.20	...	8	...	18.78
Rhondda—											
Rhondda M.B.	106,400	...	1,581	...	1,357	...	12.75	...	48	...	30.36

MALE AND FEMALE BIRTHS

Registered in each month.

Month	South Ward		West Ward		North Ward		Bridgend General Hospital		Outward Transferable	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
January	3	2	1	2	3	1	4	10	30	26
February	1	1	2	1	1	4	6	3	38	33
March	2	1	—	—	3	1	7	4	32	42
April	2	1	—	—	2	3	4	2	28	40
May	—	3	—	—	2	3	5	4	41	30
June	1	1	—	—	4	1	3	5	27	29
July	—	1	—	—	1	1	5	3	29	28
August	1	—	—	1	2	1	5	4	23	26
September	2	3	—	1	1	3	6	8	47	36
October	—	—	—	1	—	2	9	3	41	34
November	1	2	—	—	1	4	4	6	33	22
December	—	—	—	—	2	3	2	4	30	12
Totals	13	15	3	6	22	27	60	56	399	358

In addition to the above 56 births (27 males, 29 females) occurred outside your area. Most of these were at St. Athans Maternity Hospital.

CANCER

The number of deaths certified as being caused by Cancer was 37.

The following table shows the organs affected, as well as the age at death, and the sex of the individuals affected.

Organs affected	25—45 yrs.		45—65 yrs.		65—75 yrs.		75 upwards		Totals	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Stomach			1	1	1	2	1	2	3	5
Pancreas			1						1	
Colon				2		1	1		1	3
Rectum					1	1	2	1	3	2
Palate			1						1	
Lung and Bronchus ...			7		1				8	
Bladder				1				1		2
Breast				1		2		1		4
Uterus		1								1
Vagina						1				1
Brain	1	1							1	1
Totals	1	2	10	5	3	7	4	5	18	19

Vital Statistics of whole District during 1958 and previous 38 years

Year	Population estimated to middle of each year	Live Births			Total Deaths Registered in the District		Transferable Deaths		Nett Deaths belonging to District			
		Uncorrected Number	Nett		Number	Rate	Of Non- residents registered in the District	Of Resi- dents not registered in the District	Under 1 Year		At all Ages	
			Number	Rate					Number	Rate per 1,000 Nett Births	Number	Rate
1928	9528	163	155	17.3	143	15.0	55	12	11	70.9	100	10.4
1929	9660	175	165	17.0	127	14.3	48	12	14	84.9	91	9.4
1930	9600	161	145	15.0	163	16.8	70	6	3	20.6	99	10.2
1931	10033	176	147	14.3	189	18.8	88	7	12	81.6	108	10.7
1932	9960	194	133	13.3	188	18.8	94	18	9	67.6	112	11.2
1933	9994	230	123	12.3	190	19.0	98	6	4	32.5	98	9.8
1934	9934	231	109	10.9	189	19.0	99	4	6	55.0	94	9.4
1935	10030	337	137	13.6	203	20.2	113	18	9	65.6	108	10.7
1936	10100	377	161	15.9	241	23.8	130	9	6	37.2	120	11.8
1937	10330	255	159	15.3	241	23.3	128	16	10	69.8	129	11.4
1938	10565	367	156	14.8	256	24.2	119	12	7	45.0	149	14.1
1939	11250	444	230	20.4	282	25.0	138	13	5	21.7	157	13.9
1940	13010	401	183	14.0	225	17.2	106	14	13	69.5	103	10.2
1941	12860	625	232	18.0	303	23.5	164	15	13	55.7	154	12.1
1942	12520	715	203	16.2	314	25.0	172	21	7	34.4	163	13.1
1943	11970	774	201	16.8	282	23.5	161	14	7	34.8	135	11.2
1944	11450	869	240	21.7	302	26.3	168	11	7	27.3	145	13.0
1945	11650	769	203	17.4	303	26.0	190	16	7	34.4	134	11.5
1946	12770	915	255	19.9	312	24.4	193	10	7	27.4	132	10.3
1947	12710	1018	263	20.7	362	28.3	238	14	10	38.0	143	11.3
1948	12790	1076	239	18.7	316	24.7	204	9	10	42.0	124	9.7
1949	13700	1124	251	18.3	390	28.5	254	14	8	32.0	148	10.8
1950	14070	985	236	16.77	436	31.0	281	19	9	38.14	136	9.67
1951	13530	840	227	16.78	508	37.7	281	16	8	35.24	161	11.9
1952	13650	1101	221	16.19	374	27.4	239	13	4	18.10	151	11.06
1953	13770	1079	224	16.27	365	27.2	237	7	9	40.2	137	9.9
1954	14010	985	245	17.49	391	27.9	247	11	3	12.24	155	11.06
1955	14260	1040	250	17.53	417	29.2	275	8	4	35.93	150	10.52
1956	14500	878	261	17.1	412	28.4	268	11	9	34.48	154	11.26
1957	14810	873	278	18.77	437	29.5	284	20	13	46.76	173	11.68
1958	14580	959	258	17.7	474	32.5	322	18	6	23.26	170	11.66

Mid-Glamorgan Water Board. RAINFALL RECORDS

For the Year ended 31st December, 1958.

Month	Merthyr- mawr 1	...	Bridgend 2	Schwyll 3	Llanharan 4	St. Athan 5	Pwllwy 6	Maesteg 7	Nanty- moel 8	Ponty- cymmer 9
January	3.15	...	2.76	3.15	4.59	2.52	4.20	...	9.11	7.57
February	4.77	...	4.12	4.59	5.88	2.70	5.27	...	10.98	10.47
March	0.85	...	0.82	0.78	1.01	0.75	0.88	...	2.00	1.72
April	0.77	...	0.83	0.68	1.04	0.75	0.80	...	1.49	2.56
May	4.46	...	3.99	3.93	4.28	3.27	4.08	...	1.73	7.50
June	4.97	...	5.26	5.71	4.44	3.62	4.38	...	6.46	6.77
July	4.59	...	4.02	3.97	5.17	2.98	3.78	...	7.10	7.90
August	5.30	...	5.12	5.24	6.74	3.77	6.98	...	8.47	10.43
September	6.59	...	6.31	6.53	8.65	5.74	7.95	...	8.20	14.03
October	6.25	...	5.82	5.61	8.08	4.27	6.61	...	12.74	12.19
November	4.21	...	4.41	3.47	5.08	4.21	5.25	...	10.01	5.93
December	5.42	...	4.52	4.92	5.55	4.12	4.69	...	7.99	8.12
TOTALS	51.36	...	47.98	48.60	60.51	38.70	54.87	...	86.19	95.19
Long Term Aver. 42.90	...	...	40.84	...	49.97	...	...	...	104.76	...
Percentage of Long Term Average 119.9	...	...	119	...	121.5	...	...	...	84.70	82.64
									123.5	115.5

JOHN G. LLOYD, *Engineer and Manager.*

An examination of the list of causes of death in your area during the year discloses that 33 persons died from Coronary Disease or Angina and 37 from Cancer. As a large number of these deaths occur before the age of 60 it is felt that it is a problem that calls for every possible type of investigation on a national basis.

In conclusion, I would like to express to the Council my appreciation of the interest shown by the Members in matters affecting Public Health and to thank Dr. Kathleen Davies and Dr. B. T. Jones, for deputising for me when required. I should also like to thank the staff for their co-operation and particularly Mr. Manley, the Senior Public Health Inspector and the other members of the Public Health Department, for their assistance during the year and for furnishing me with the necessary figures for this Report.

I am, sir,

Lady and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

J. ALUN EVANS,

Medical Officer of Health.

